ENVIRONMENTAL HEARINGS OFFICE

Minutes of Meeting January 12, 2010 9:00 a.m.

The January 12, 2010 meeting was called to order by Chair Andrea McNamara Doyle in the Boards' office in Lacey, Washington. Present were Chair Andrea McNamara Doyle, Board Members Bill Lynch and Kathy Mix and Administrative Appeals Judges Kay Brown and Phyllis Macleod, Administrative Manager Robyn Bryant, Hearings Coordinator Debbie Joblonski, and Administrative Secretary Janet Buechler. Minutes of the December 8, 2009 meetings were read and approved as corrected.

Handouts were distributed for review which included the pollution, shoreline, forest practice, hydraulic, and environmental and land use appeals filed, a brief summary of all cases that have closed and the Case Statistics Report.

Appellate Update

Chair Andrea McNamara Doyle reported that there were no new superior court appeals received since the December 2009 meeting.

Financial Update

Robyn Bryant reported on the current status of the Environmental Hearings Office budget. At present, there is a small surplus still in place due to the vacant position and decrease in the amount of travel necessary for hearings. There were no changes in the Governor's Supplemental Budget for this office.

Robyn also reported that there is nothing new to report on the possible office move.

Natural Resources Reform Group

Kathy Mix discussed the status of the Natural Resources Reform legislation. There have been no hearings on the bill as of this date. The Quasi-Judicial Streamlining bill is in the hands of the Governor's policy office and the Governor's office is very involved in its progress.

Meeting adjourned.

Janet Buechler Administrative Secretary